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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 14, 2005. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

A listing of the claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.